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Dear Mr. Casey:

On May 25, 26 and 27, 1983 a unique conference will take place in Las Vegas. The Nevada Economic Development Company will host "The Marketplace 83", Annual Private Sector-Federal Procurement Conference. This conference attracts the top minority entrepreneurs from across the country. They gather to hear presentations from the public and private sectors discuss forthcoming projects that fall under Public Law 95-507. More than a billion dollars in procurement opportunities will be presented to these conferees as a part of this Administration's commitment to Minority Business Enterprise.

President Reagan issued a statement on this Administration's commitment to greater goals of economic progress during the forthcoming fiscal years 1983, 1984 and 1985. The President estimated that the federal government, through its agency procurements, would provide purchases of goods and supplies of 15 billion dollars to minorities. In order to assist in this initiative, the Minority Business Development Agency and The Small Business Administration are playing a major roll in this conference.

We believe the NEDCO conference will attract the kinds of conferees and national attention to the President's program for minority entrepreneurs that will be morally healthy for the country and stimulating for the economic recovery.

With your help, I believe the NEDCO conference, as in past years, will continue to be a vehicle through which rewards of the free enterprise system can be shared with our minority entrepreneurs.

I wholeheartedly support the President's program and I am pleased to extend this invitation to you and your agency on behalf of NEDCO and Nevada. Your presence, your support and your participation in this conference are appreciated.

For further information, contact Director Bob Bailey, (702) 384-3293.

Sincerely,

U.S. Senator

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The Honorable William J. Casey Director of Central Intelligence Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D.C. 20505